

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3476

ANSWERED ON:06.08.2002

ALLOTMENT OF EXTRA SEAT IN ENGINEERING COLLEGES OF A.P.

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned as Engineering Colleges in Andhra Pradesh appeared in "Eenadu" Telugu Daily dated 30.06.2002;
- (b) if so, the details and facts of the matter therein;
- (c) whether the AICTE is showing a bias attitude in the allotment of extra seats;
- (d) if so, whether any complaints have been received from some of the hon'ble M.P.s in this regard;
- (e) if so, whether the AICTE is following any norms in the allotment of extra seats;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (g) : The news item appeared in the 'Eenadu' Telugu Daily was about sanctioning of additional seats / courses in Engineering Colleges in the State of Andhra Pradesh. AICTE has informed that there was no bias towards allotment of additional seats / courses. AICTE invites applications for introduction of new courses/ programmes in the existing approved institutions. AICTE accords its approval subject to fulfilment of infrastructural facilities as per its prescribed norms and standards on the basis of recommendations made by the Expert Committees and the Regional Committees. This process is observed uniformly throughout the country.